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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A hair treatment device comprising:
a hair roller including a malleable compressible roller body, ~~operative to expand when heat is applied thereto during treatment of the hair, so as to apply pressure to hair wrapped around the malleable roller body before expansion;~~ a first notch and a second notch ~~on the roller body;~~
a base implement including a first end and a second end wherein both said first and second ends each include a cradle for receiving said notches; and;
a support rod connecting said first end and said second end;
~~whereby the hair comes under tension by settling into the malleable roller body during expansion~~ wherein said base implement is constructed and arranged such that said support rod is connected in a middle portion of said first and second ends.
2. (Original claim) The hair roller of Claim 1, wherein said roller body is made of a lightweight, heat insulating material.
3. (Original claim) The hair roller of Claim 1, wherein the inside of said roller body contains a supporting structure.
4. (Original claim) The base implement of Claim 1, wherein said first end and said second end each include a cut-out shoulder.
5. (Original claim) The base implement of Claim 1, wherein said support rod includes a support arm.

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6. (Currently amended) A base implement comprising:
a first end and a second end, wherein both said first and second ends each include a cradle; and,
a support rod connecting said first end and said second end, wherein said base implement is constructed and arranged such that said support rod is connected in a middle portion of said first and second ends.
7. (Original claim) The base implement of Claim 6, wherein said first end and said second end each include a cut-out shoulder.
8. (Original claim) The base implement of Claim 6, wherein said support rod includes a support arm.
9. (Currently amended) A method of changing the appearance of one's hair comprising:
wrapping a tress of hair around a ~~malleable~~ compressible roller body of a hair roller ~~that expands when heat is applied during treatment of the hair, so as to apply pressure to the hair, and~~ wherein said hair roller includes a first notch and a second notch;
resting a base implement on a wearer's scalp, wherein said base implement includes a support rod, a first end, and a second end wherein both first and second ends each include a first and second cradle, respectively; further wherein said base implement is constructed and arranged such that said support rod is connected in a middle portion of said first and second ends;
engaging said hair roller and said base implement by inserting said first and second notch into said first and second cradle, respectively;
applying solutions to the hair; and;
removing said tress of hair from said hair roller.
10. (Original claim) The method of Claim 9 wherein heat is applied to said tress of hair.

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11. (Original claim) The method of Claim 10 wherein said solutions are removed from said hair.

12. (Previously added) The supporting structure of Claim 3, wherein the supporting structure is a coil.

13. (Cancelled)